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Lafayette leaves Pittsburgh on the 1st of June, passes through Mercer and Meadville to Waterford and Erie. Arrives at Buffalo on June 4th and visits Niagara Falls on the next day, proceeding then eastward through Rochester, Canandaigua, Rome and Utica to arrive at Albany June 12th. He arrives at Boston June 15th to take part in the Bunker Hill anniversary on June 17th, and sets out on the New England Tour June 21st. After passing through the states of New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont, he arrives at Albany on July 1st.

Wednesday, June 1st.

Leaves Pittsburgh in the morning, escorted by committee. Arrives at Butler. Luncheon at Mechling's Inn. Review of Revolutionary soldiers. Leaves Butler at four P. M. and arrives at Mercer Thursday morning at one A. M. "Farewell my friends, this is the last time you shall see me".

Butler Sentinel. June 4th, 1825.

Thursday, June 2nd.

Spends the night at the Hackney House in Mercer. Leaves Mercer in the morning and arrives at Meadville at one P. M. Luncheon at Samuel Torbett's Hotel. Visits Allegheny College. Leaves Meadville at three P. M. and reaches Waterford in the evening. Banquet. Spends night at Waterford.

History of Crawford County. Page 381. Chicago. 1881.
History of Mercer County. Page 337. Chicago. 1888.
Crawford Messenger. June 9th, 1825.

Friday, June 3rd.

Leaves Waterford and is escorted into Erie by cavalcade. Address of welcome by John C. Wallace, Burgess of Erie. Banquet beneath sails of the British vessels captured by Commodore Perry. Leaves Erie at three P. M. for Dunkirk.

John Miller's *History of Erie County.* Volume I, page 613. Chicago, 1909.

Saturday, June 4th.

Arrives at Fredonia, New York, at one A. M. Illumination and reception. Leaves Fredonia at three A. M. and embarks at Dunkirk at five A. M. for Buffalo. Arrives at Buffalo at two P. M. Reception by the Mayor and city magistrates. Procession. Lafayette alights at the Eagle Tavern. Civic dinner. Review of militia.

Buffalo Patriot. June 7th, 1825.

Sunday, June 5th.

Lafayette sets out for Niagara Falls. Breakfasts at Black Rock. Visits the Falls. Spends the night at Lewiston.

Buffalo Patriot. June 7th, 1825.

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Monday, June 6th.

Returns to Niagara for breakfast with Major Thompson. Proceeds to Lockport. Reception and banquet. Leaves Lockport and travels all night upon the Erie Canal on the canal boat *Rochester*.

Buffalo Patriot. June 7th, 1825.

Tuesday, June 7th.

Arrives at Rochester from Lockport in morning. Met at village of Greece by reception committee. Dinner at Christopher's Mansion House. Leaves in afternoon for Canandaigua. Spends night at Canandaigua.

Peck's *History of Rochester and Monroe County*. Volume I, page 63. New York and Chicago, 1908.

Wednesday, June 8th.

Leaves Canandaigua in morning. Escorted to Geneva where he arrives at ten A. M. Lanes of young girls strewing flowers for the procession. Breakfast at the Franklin Hotel. Lafayette leaves for the east passing through Auburn and Waterloo.

The Oswego Palladium. June 11th, 1825.

Thursday, June 9th.

Arrives at Syracuse at six A. M. Reception at the Mansion House. Parade. Re-embarks at nine A. M. Arrives at Rome at ten P. M. Reception and illumination. Spends night at home of Colonel Gerrit Lansing at Oriskany.

Utica Sentinel. June 14th, 1825.

Wager's *History of Oneida County*. Pages 189-90. Boston, 1896.

Friday, June 10th.

Proceeds through Whitesboro to Utica. Military salute. Breakfast at Shephard's Hotel. Reception. Parade. Embarks on packet boat *Governor Clinton* at five P. M.

Utica Sentinel. June 14th, 1825.

Saturday, June 11th.

Descends the canal. Reception at Little Falls. Reaches Schenectady at eight P. M. Leaves at eleven P. M. Arrives at Half Way House at midnight. Descends at Cruttenden's Hotel in Albany.

Albany Daily Advertiser. June 13th, 1825.

Albany Argus. June 14th, 1825.

Sunday, June 12th.

At Albany.

Lafayette to Mayor Josiah Quincy of Boston.

"Albany, June 12th, 1825.

. . . Thus far I am come to Redeem my sacred and most cordial pledge; we shall reach Boston on the 15th. . . . "

Archives of the William L. Clements Library. Bay City, Michigan.

Attends Dr. Chester's church. Banquet at Cruttenden's.

Albany Argus. June 14th, 1825.

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